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IN THE APPLICATION OF

RAJOPADHYE, ET AL.

SERIAL NO.: 09/281,474

FILED: MARCH 30, 1999

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PETITION

1. Applicant petitions that the abandonment set forth in the Notice of Abandonment mailed by the Office on November 2, 1999 be withdrawn for the reason given below.

SUBMISSION

Submitted herewith is a copy of the complete response entitled "REPLY TO NOTICE UNDER 42 U.S.C. 2182 mailed September 9, 1999" which was mailed on October 6, before the due date of October 9, 1999. The response included a Certificate of Mailing which was executed on October 6, 1999. Also submitted herewith is a copy of the Applicants' return postcard which indicates the receipt of the "REPLY TO NOTICE UNDER 42 U.S.C. 2182 mailed September 9, 1999" in the USPTO on October 21, 1999.

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3. Please proceed with further examination of this application on the basis of the attached copy of the papers originally filed.

PETITION FEE

4. Please charge the associated petition fee of \$130.00, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(h), to Deposit Account No. 04-1928. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

REQUEST FOR REFUND OF PETITION FEE

5. As no defect exists in applicant's previous submission, a refund of the petition fee submitted herewith is respectfully requested.

REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ABANDONMENT

6. Acknowledgement of the active status of this application is respectfully requested.

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